

FORTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

THE POSTOFFICE BILL PASSED
THE SENATE.

Scandal Regarding the Payne Investigation—The Campbell-Weaver Contest in the House.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Senate.—In the Senate to-day Senator Hoar presented a letter received by him from Emmitt Tompkins, secretary of the Ohio Legislative Investigating Committee regarding the printing of the report of that committee recently submitted to the United States Senate. The letter states that Mr. Tompkins, on examining the copy printed by order of the Senate, finds that a sur-reptitious interpolation has been made in the copy furnished the printer, the matter interpolated not being in the original copy sent to the Senate by the Ohio House of Representatives. The interpolation, the secretary says, is of material intended to reflect on the good faith of the majority of the Ohio committee, and mislead the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections. An inspection of the copy, Mr. Tompkins adds, shows that the added matter is written in pencil on soft paper, and wholly disconnected with the official papers. He asks an official investigation of the subject by the Senate committee, in order that the perpetrator of the fraud may be discovered.

On motion of Senator Hoar, the letter was referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections. The matter was ordered reported in correct form, and the distribution of the incorrect copy was ordered stopped.

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The committee's provision for the foreign mail routes, as finally agreed to by the Senate and agreed to, reads as follows: "For the transportation of foreign mails by American built and registered steamships, to secure the greater frequency and regularity in dispatching and a greater speed in the carriage of such mails to Brazil, the Republics of Mexico, Central and South America, the Sandwich, West India and Windward Islands, New Caledonia, New Zealand and the Australian colonies, China and Japan, \$900,000; and the Postmaster-General is authorized to make, after due advertisement for proposals, such contract or contracts with the owners of American steamships, for a term of no less than three nor more than five years, and at a rate of compensation not exceeding 53 cents a hundred miles on the trip each way actually traveled between the terminal points in the most direct and feasible sailing course between the terminal points shall be found expedient and desirable to secure the end above set forth, and if he shall be unable to make such contracts for any such respective services he shall, as soon as possible, cause the mails of the United States to be carried to and from said places respectively in the best and most expeditious manner practicable in American vessels, and for a reasonable compensation not exceeding the rate before mentioned." And the Postmaster-General, if in his judgment it is practicable, shall contract for the annual service between New York and New Orleans and the port of Rio Janeiro under the provisions of the law.

The value of the amendment as thus amended was \$20,000. The negative vote of Senator Davis, Blackburn, Belcher, Camden, Coke, Gray, Hartig, Jones [A. L.], Kincaid, McCoy, Morgan, Hansen, and Whipple, Vane, Vest, Whittemore, and W. T. Ward.

On Senator Davis' motion the sum of \$80,000 was added to the amount already in the bill for the railway passenger tax.

One of the Senate committee's proposed amendments authorized the Postmaster-General to contract for inland and foreign steamboat mail service which it can be combined in route where the foreign offices are not more than 100 miles distant from the domestic office on the same terms and conditions as inland steamboat service, the contract to be made with and performed by American built and registered steamships.

This was rejected by the Senate, while a little later on the compensation for such service was set at a mile, each way, to be struck out. In other respects the bill was passed as reported from the Senate Committee.

Two days after the final passage of the bill was Yester., May 4; pass. 10. Those voting in the negative were Messrs. Barry, Coke, Gray, Harris, Jones [A. L.], Kincaid, McCoy, Sandbury, Vest and Whipple.

Ser. Mr. Morgan offered a series of resolutions which were ordered printed and to be read in the house, decrying that it was the duty of Congress to extend necessary mail facilities, since the seas from the principal ports of all foreign countries with which the United States has any considerable trade, or whose trade can be profitably developed; that it is the duty of Congress to provide that the American people shall have the right to buy ships abroad and import them at reasonable rates of duty, and that the laws prohibiting the importation of foreign built ships are unjust and unwise as laws would be that would prohibit the importation of all other articles of foreign manufacture.

The Senate then adjourned.

The House.

Mr. Hall [A.] called up the Campbell-Weaver contested election case, but against this Mr. Willis [Ky.] raised the question of consideration, it being his desire to dispose of the river and harbor bill. He failed in his object by one vote, however, and the election case was proceeded with.

After debate for an hour and a half the resolution of the majority of the Committee on Elections was adopted, it confirms the right of the sitting member, J. B. Weaver, to the seat.

Mr. Green [N. J.] called up the resolution allowing the contestee, Wm. A. Price, from the Second District of Rhode Island, thirty days within which to take further testimony, and the contestee, C. H. Page, ten days thereafter to take testimony in re-buttal.

After further debate, the resolution reported from the Committee on Elections was adopted—year, 113; nays, 80. The House then took a recess until 2:30.

The Interrogated Matter in the Payne Report.

The interpolated matter in the report of the Payne investigation transmitted from Columbus to the Senate consists of the following paragraph which appears at the end of the volume made up of the majority and minority report and the testimony: "The majority have all along conduct-

ed this investigation as though they felt it incumbent on them to find a melody guilty, as though some great party interests would be jeopardized unless they reported that somebody was guilty of something. We have helped them to draw the dragnet in every muddy pool, anywhere and everywhere they were pleased to designate and every time they thought they had captured the boss hoodlum, and when they rushed in to grapple with and to land him they invariably found that it was only a small sucker, which they took between their fingers and threw back into his native element." The majority report should read that although they did not find anyone guilty of corrupt practices they think it a burning shame that some one was not guilty of bribery so that they might report his capture by this committee.

CORIN H. MISS.

Mayor New's Condition Very Much Improved—Severe Examinations.

Non-Signatory of the Appeal.

CORINTH, Miss., May 3.—Major New's condition is somewhat more hopeful to-day. He can articulate correctly a few words, but it is with extreme difficulty that he can make himself understood.

He is free from fever, takes a little nourishment and altogether the outlook is more favorable for complete or partial recovery. His physicians are more hopeful than at any time since he has been sick.

Mr. Hill Phillips, brother-in-law of Mr. S. Mansfield of your city, is slowly recovering from a very severe and prolonged attack of fever, which has confined him to his bed for the past four weeks.

There was a regular invasion of black excursionists from Memphis and points along the Memphis and Charleston railroad here yesterday.

The weather is fine and very favorable for the farmers.

TO-DAY.

Lord, for to-morrow and its needs
I do not pray;
Keep me, O my God, from sin
Just for to-day.

Let me both live high work
And duly pay;
Let me kind and gentle treated
Just for to-day.

Let me be slow to do my will;
Prompt to obey;
Help me to my y. n. y. n.
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And if the tide of life
Should ebb away;
Give me Th. & G. love;
Sweet Lord to-day.

Lord, for to-morrow and its needs
I do not pray;
But guide me, guard me, keep me, Lord,
Just for to-day.

Keep my heart pure, O Christ;
Clean sweep for Thee;
Help me to do my duty
Just for to-day.

Help me to bind my girdle;
Helps me to say;
Let others be preferred to me;
Just for to-day.

Help me to give up all;
Fathers by the way,
And with Thee be content
Just for to-day.

Let thy love conquer death;
Cast out fear;
Let me be firm in sin
Just for to-day.

Lord, let me not complain;
Nor Thy will gainsay;
Help me to do my duty
Just for to-day.

Desperate Attempt to Break Jail.

WEVERILLE, K. S., May 4.—The prisoners confined in the Cowley county jail made a desperate attempt to escape last night about 8:30 o'clock. Deputy Sheriff Tom Herold opened the jail door to lock the prisoners in their cells when they made a rush at him, armed with stove legs, lumps of coal and every available object that was portable. A blow on the head knocked Herold down. Henry Champin, one of the guards, fired at the crowd and instantly killed J. W. P. Bennett, who was in jail for counterfeiting. Champin received a severe blow on the head which rendered him insensible, and four prisoners succeeded in making their escape. Their names are as follows: Charles Swift, guilty of forgery; J. mes Whitehead, who was found guilty of horse stealing; David Wiggins, guilty of counterfeiting; and Bill Matney, charged with horse-stealing.

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Bought a Farm.

John M. McDowell, one of the successful holders of ticket No. 46,799 in the November drawing of the Louisiana State Lottery, which drew \$75,000, has invested a portion of his proceeds in a tract of land near Oliver and adjoining his home farm. He purchased half acre, more or less, being the Jack Kent farm, of Alpert Wheeler, for which he paid \$40 per acre. Since he made his success fair draw in Louisiana, John has been "shaving notes," at a lively r. t., and has cleared within the past few months nearly \$1000. Just stop for a moment and estimate the profit he has made on that 50-cent investment in the Louisiana lottery last fall—Mount Olive (Ky.) Tribune—March 11th.

Looking Into Our Agricultural School System.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 4.—Mr. G. E. Alderton, a New Zealand journalist, is in the city. He visits this country in behalf of his government to inquire into and report upon the working of our agricultural schools, the cultivation of the vine and wine-making, orange culture and fruit-raising generally, and is especially instructed to report upon all agricultural implements and orchard tools which he may consider suitable to the requirements of the colony. He proceeds at an early date to Washington to present his credentials to the Secretary of the Interior, after which he will go through Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Virginia, the Carolinas and Florida, the rainfall and temperature of those states approximating very closely to those of the different provinces of New Zealand.

Married Loathario Ducked.

FLUSHING, L. I., May 4.—Neil Howard, a well known married resident of this village, was ducked in the village fountain early yesterday morning by some unknown persons who are supposed to belong to the vigilance committee, organized a year ago for the purpose of punishing married men who remained away from their homes late at night. The affair created quite an excitement in the village.

They Are Not Sorry.

There is one thing nobody ever regrets—that is, the day they first adopted Parker's Tonics as their regular family medicines. It ranges in so wide, and its good effects so sure, that nothing else, except good nursing, are needed in a great majority of cases. Buy it, try it, and afterward it will never require any praise from us.

Subscribe for the "Appeal."

THE SITUATION IN GREECE

THE FOREIGN MINISTERS TO REMAIN AT THEIR POSTS.

Formal Opening of the Colonial Exhibition by the Queen at London—Morality captured.

ATHENS, GREECE, May 4.—The powers have instructed their ministers here to remain at their posts. It is believed that the powers will accept a guarantee from France that she will secure the disavowal of Greece and that they will not fix an actual period for its accomplishment.

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